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UNITY AMONG COLORED METHODISTS.

[Rev. C. W. Fitzhugh's Speech before the Baltimore A. M. E. Conference.]

The great interests of our race, morally, religiously and otherwise, demands a union of the forces of Colored Methodism.—We are as jealous for the prosperity of your branch as you are yourselves. We are proud of your Bishops and the long line of able divines that serve the people faithfully and well. We rejoice when you rejoice, we weep when you are called to that ordeal, and we invoke upon you the fullness of heaven's grace that in all your work and labor of love you may be rightly guided and blessed with prosperity.

Bishops and brethren, it may be out of my line of duty as the representative of the Virginia Conference of the Colored M. E. Church in America to allude to my personal feeling in this great question of "Unification of Colored Methodists." In my especial respect for your Church, I will say, my father was a local minister in your connection, and the "Earth to earth—ashes to ashes—dust to dust" was pronounced from the lips of one of your ministers. After the death of my father the home of Nelson and Agnes Fitzhugh, in Natchez, Miss., was the home for the preachers of your connection.—Around my father's board, years ago, sat ministerial giants such as Jabez Campbell, Page Tyler, Charles Burch, John Turner, J. W. C. Pennington and Dr. Clark. I think of them only to love them. Burch and Clark have gone over to possess the land. Campbell, Tyler and Turner are yet at their labor of love.

We, with you, Bishop and brethren, claim that you, with other branches of Colored Methodism have been instruments of God in doing much to prove the possibility of the colored race being something and doing something for the good of mankind.

The connectional power of Colored Methodism is being felt throughout the entire land, and when we make use of the expression "Colored Methodism," we mean the different branches of the Colored Methodists. The African M. E. Church, with its great army of able men, is always ready to do service in the cause of our blessed Redeemer; we, as a race, can not for a moment laugh derisively at the able minds of that Church. Though a connectional line divides from us such men as Bishops Payne, Campbell, Ward, Shorter, Brown and Wayman, yet they are a part of the great brotherhood, and have done yeoman service for Christ. We can not lightly pass by Miles, the church-organizer; Lane, the evangelist; Holsey, the giant, and Bebee, the beloved. The pen of Tanner, when wielded, is always in defence of the right, and Methodism is advocated by the Turners in the west, by Tyler and Brooks in the south, and a host of other workers north and east. Then we have such stalwart heralds of the cross in my own connection as Ridley, Anderson, Daniels, Beel and others of sterling worth, and the great Bishop Clinton, and his able colleagues, in the A. M. E. Zion connection, who have done much to forward the cause of our Redeemer.

May heaven bless you, and may your stay in this city be a blessing to us and ours, and may God direct your deliberations. *Christian Index.*

A Colored Colony.

Rev. J. C. Tate, a prominent Colored Methodist, proposes to plant a colored colony in the Cumberland Table Land in Tenn. In the Marysville (Tenn.) *Index* he gives the following particulars:

"I have purchased about one thousand acres of land, known as the Table Land or Plateau of East Tennessee, for the purpose of forming a colored colony. Adjacent to the above mentioned I have entrusted to my usage and disposal one thousand and sixty-eight acres more or less. Said land is well watered. [illegible] days perfectly level, there are no hills, knobs, caverns nor gullies to contend with. Its fertility, different from that of East Tennessee in general, seems to lay upon a bed of security, unmolested by the moving of its waters.

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"The situation of the above is in Cumberland County, East Tennessee, about fifty miles north of Chattanooga, eight and a half north-east of Crossville, seat of Cumberland County."

He proposes in a short time to erect a village, "watered sufficient for a city equal to St. Louis," first building a saw and grist mill, then a church and school house. He proposes to lay off lots sufficient each for a dwelling house, yard, garden and other buildings, and to each blacksmith, shoemaker, carpenter or other artisan he will give a lot free. He proposes also to lay off 1,500 acres into 45, 50 and 75 acre lots, which he will sell to those settling before 1880 for $2.50 per acre. He says there is now within a half mile a grist mill in operation, another three and a half miles in a different direction, another two miles from the village site, at which sawing and wool carding are also done. The mail will be brought over once a week.

THE NORTH AMERICAN REVIEW.

The leading article in the *North American Review* for September is a critical paper by Anthony Trollope, upon "The Genius of Nathaniel Hawthrone." It has an especial interest from the fact that it contains the estimate which one novelist gives of another, where there is the widest divergence between the literary work of the two.

Professor Simon Newcomb follows with a paper upon "The Standard of Value," in which he discusses the relative merits of the single and the double standard, and the difficulies which must arise from the establishment of either as a monetary basis.

Professor Newcomb suggests that a comparatively stable currency might be obtained by the issue of paper money redeemable not in dollars of a fixed weight, but in such quantities of gold or silver bullion as would have a certain and definite purchasing power to be fixed beforehand.

The third article is the concluding part of Richard Wagner's "The Work and Mission of My Life." In this, he continues the description of his art life to the present time, gives the reasons and motives which led him to write each of his operas, and tells the story of the great festival performance at Baireuth, in 1876. The next article is the second part of "The Diary of a Public Man." In this is given the secret history of events at Washington during the week next preceding President Lincoln's inauguration, and of a new Cabinet, and the estimate which public men at that time made of Mr. Lincoln's character.

The "Confession of an Agnostic," which follows, is an anonymous paper, and professes to be written by a follower of 'An Evolutionist," who advertised for a new religion in this *Review*, in July, 1878. The scholar, it seems, has gone further than his teacher. This clearly appears from the account of his belief or want of belief, and the story of his somewhat irregular life, which he confidingly lays before the public. "Intrigues at the Paris Canal Congress," by A. G. Menocal, is a timely exposure of the plans and scheming of the ring of adventurers who called the Congress together, and using M. Lesseps's influence, managed it for the purpose of filling their own pockets. This bit of secret history will be doubly interesting to American readers, since it explains why the American delegates and their project of the Nicaragua route were so ignominiously snubbed. The number closes with a review of "Three Important Publications," by Mayo W. Hazeltine.

SENTIMENTS WORTHY OF COMMENDATION.

[People's Journal, New Orleans.]

We seek no favors in the political marts, nor no distinction in the field of party leaders. What we want, and what we shall labor for is, equal education privileges for our young; a higher and nobler idea of the moral side of life, and to aid in the selection of true and honorable men of principle to guide and represent us. It remains now to be seen whether our people fully appreciate our effort, and will by their practical assistance enable us to remain on the field of action.

Taking Time by the Forelock.

Coming events cast their shadows before, and already, through the mists of months, the gladsome Holiday season looms clearer day by day, filling the youthful mind with pleasing speculation, and causing materfamilias to consider in what direction she can exercise a little additional economy, whereby the money for presents may be forthcoming when required. And just in the nick of time there comes to hand a suggestion of how Johnny, and Mamie, and Flossie, and Charley may secure for themselves and by their own exertions, the jack knives and work boxes, and writing cases, and tool chests, for which their souls are longing: of how mamma may get that book or parlor ornament she has talked about so often: and of how, by their united exertions they may obtain a present wherewith to surprise and gladden the soul of papa.

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EXCURSIONS A GREAT EVIL.

(From the Advance, Montgomery, Ala.)

If there was ever a duty that the colored ministers owe to their race it is to speak out against these excursions. Its an evil that should be corrected. Thunder it from the pulpit that it is a shame for a race to thus impovish itself and enrich close-fisted railroad corporations like the Western Railroad! No courtesy do they ever entend to a colored man.

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In conversation with a white gentleman who is a special friend to the colored people a few days ago, he desired to know of us why was it that our people spent so much money on excursions. We could not give a satisfactory answer. The idea of giving the railroads 90 per cent. of the proceeds is not only absurd, but outrages. We are proud to know that we kept some colored men from getting up an other excursion to Atlanta a day or so ago.

KEEP OUT OF DEBT.

[The Advance, Montgomery, Ala.]

Palt the perplexity, annoyance and trouble that men have in the world is in consequence of getting in debt. It seems to be natural for some people to buy, and incur obligations without measure, so long as they can avoid paying ready cash. Give one of this sort a chance to buy on credit, and the questions of payment are matters that he cares but little about. But what a crop of trouble springs up from the seed of debt! How many gray hairs it brings, and how often it shortens life sometimes leading men to commit suicide or murder. And yet how easily it is to keep clear of this terrible monster. Every young man should form a fixed and unalterable determination, before commencing his active business career, not to incur one penny of indebtedness, under any circumstances. Never buy anything without you have the money to pay for it at once. Pay no attention to "splendid opportunities," "bargians," and the like. Such are only traps set to catch victims. If you see anything that you would like to possess, look first at your money pile and make the answer depend on that. Always pay as you go. If you are short of money gauge your demands accordingly.

ONLY THE ADVANCED GUARD.

[Freeman's Journal, St. Louis.]

If we may judge from the reports that are daily coming to this city from the colored people of the South, the exodus has not yet started. We have seen only the advance guard.

THE PENNIES NOT EVEN ACCOUNTED FOR.

[Journal of Industry, Raleigh, N. C.]

The exodus question is assuming new proportions. Thousands of dollars are being collected for the ostensible cause of aiding the "poor Negro to Kansas," but it is doubted whether any of the cents, to say nothing of the dollars, will ever reach him. How long! Oh, how long!

What will be the status of the Southern delegates in the Republican National Convention? This important question will soon be the all absorbing topic of discussion—many think that the "solid South" being for Grant will not be allowed to vote in the convention. —Ex.

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Cetywayo has gone to the bush.

As we witnessed a game of base-ball in Philadelphia in 1868 between the Pythians of that city and a club from Washington, it will be perceived that our Philadelphia correspondent is in error.

From J. D. Lewis, esq., we have the information that in the present month steps will be taken looking to the inauguration of the American Protection Society in Pennsyluania. We look to hear a good account of it.

We have recived a very graphic letter giving a "resume" of the season at Harper's Ferry, and we are promised another, giving comparative views of Saratoga, Newport, Atlantic City and Cape May as pleasant places of resort for colored people.

We have received the report of the Tenth Annual Convention of the Baptist Sunday Schools of Kentncky, held at Bowling Green, June 12th, 13th and 14th. Delegates were present from throughout the State—several papers were read: Rev. J. Allensworth on "Our County Schools; their Condition and Needs; Rev. E. P, Morrison, Helps in teaching; Rev. G. W. Dupee, "How to bring the Adult Membership of a Church into the Sunday School;" Rev. A. Bowy sent a paper on "The Art of Securing Attention." After each paper, an interesting discussion ensued on the subject matter of the paper. The statistical report shows the number of teachers, 631; scholars, 8,097; books in library, 11,673; church members in school, 2,607; baptized during the year, 628.

The action of the Republicans in New York in nominating Cornell shows that Conkling's infinence is not on the wave, and that the result of the election will have a decisive effect on the Presidential nominations next year. If Cornell is elected, it removes John Sherman from the presidential candidature, and advances the prospects of Gen. Grant; if cornell is defeated, Secretary Sherman will have a walk over for the nomination. In a few days the campaign will open in earnest, and every city, connty and township will be fairly alive with the political issues of the day. The harmony of the convention, the clear and ringing tones of the platform, all make it evident that the Repnblicans of New York propose to make a determined effort to rescue that State from the control of the Democracy.

Sensation in a Southern church—There was a sensation in Trinity, the most fashionable church in the city of Atlanta, Ga., last Sunday, Gov. colquitt was to preach, and the church was crowded. The Govenor's colored coachman came to the door and asked for a seat in the gallery. The gallery was locked and the usher escorted him to a front pew in the church. This is the first time a colored person ever sat there, and the incident created a sensation in the city, though nobody seems to object.—Star.

Of all people under the Sun none are more ridiculous than these same Southern people. We do not see anything at all remarkable in this above occurrence. If Ben Hill had attended Trinity, and been shown a seat in the front pew, remained there, confronted by his presence, whom he charges with bribery and corruption; or if an escaped Negro convict had been permitted to attend church by ex-Senator Gordon and been shown the front pew, no one seeming to object, it would have been quite a different matter.

ODD FELLOWSHIP.

STATE GRAND LODGES.

For a number of years at each A. M. C. of the Grand United Order of Odd Fellows, there has been a movement in favor of State Grand Lodges and Biennial Meetings. Propositions barely enunciating the principle, others going into details have been presented from lodges in different sections of the country. The fact that for ten years or more this matter has been discussed without favorable result is not conclusive against them, for year by year advocates in their favor have so increased that at the meeting held last year a proposition for them was barely d[illegible]. This year there are no less th[illegible] distinct propositions from so distant localities that the desire for them must be as universal as the desire is wise and sagacious. Those from Boston, Mass., and Danville, Ky., provide all the necessary machinery and define the powers of the prospective bodies, but the propositions from New York and Philadelphia, from Hamilton and Unity Lodges respectively, more wisely confine themselves to authorizing and empowering the executive branch of the order to form a plan for their immediate establishment and government, subject to approval or change by the next general meeting of the order. It is remarkable that the preambles to all these propositions conceive the necessity to grow out of the rapid growth of the order, its diversified interests, the useless expense of annual meetings and the natural desire for harmonious and uniform action. We trust some proposition creating these lodges, will be adopted, because we believe the time and circumstances are ripe and peremtorily demand them, and that with their establishment and biennial instead of annual meetings, the order can enter upon a career of increased usefulness and attract to its numbers many who have become patience-worn by efforts for reform under the present plan of organization.

THE NEGRO-AMERICAN'S PROTECTIVE POLICY.

NO. 2.

In providing for this protective policy, the general good is preferred to private and personal interests, remote benefits to immediate gains. This was necessary in the case of our country,—it is even so with regard to our race. For example, compared with the whites, our case is worse than that of the United States forty or fifty years ago in comparison with Europe. We have but few master mechanics, master builders or contractors so situated as to undertake large contracts and jobs in open competition with white men, who in the majority of cases ignore the claims of colored men as boss mechanics, save in a few isolated cases or where, by the letter of the contract, they are compelled to prefer their employment.

Let it be determined to build a church, hall, or private residence, and let the bid be placed in open market, in ninety-nine cases out of a hundred, superior inducements will be offered by the white bosses whose superior advantages which are the sole result of better opportunities, will give them control of the work.

"Well, then, if the colored mechanic can not compete, let him try something else; let him go to farming, work as a day-laborer, wait in the hotel&c.," say the advocates of the *laissez faire* policy. The result of this would be to place our men in the same category in which America would have been placed in had she resorted to the free trade policy. There would not have been that diversity of interests and faculties which a great people must possess.

But America became willing to pay higher prices for her manufactured goods in order to build up a home industry, so must colored churches, colored societies make sacrifices in order to build up their tradesmen and enable them to compete with those of the race dominant in numbers.

Until the Negro is willing to do this he must not complain if the doors of many establishments are practically closed to his admission, and avenues for his promotion are obstructed with all manner of barriers. For, while it may be true that *race prejudice* constructively is in the way, as a matter of fact, *race-affinities*—which lead those in control to look first after the interests of their *own* kith and kin, their acquaintances and friends, of which there is a legion,—govern, as they always have and they always will. They do not exhaust their opportunities before they get around to the Negro.

Self-preservation is the first law of nature. *The American Negro must look out for himself* and provide by artificial, if not by arbitrary means, for his self-protection, or the tendencies of current events will be confirmed either in his extinction or in his utter absorption—not in his assimilation.

Let us leave the mechanics and look after the women: Go up and down Seventh street or Market Space, look into the many dry-goods, boot and shoe, and clothing establishments, and in no one of them of which we have any knowledge do you find any colored saleswomen. At first we think it is because they *will not* employ them, but it is also true that they take white applicants first—consider and act on their claims—and the Negro's chance never comes.

Go to Burdette, King Chandler, Lansburgh, Perry, Riley, Baum, for instance, and they would doubtless assure you they have no prejudices, but the claims of their white "sisters, their cousins, and their aunts" have always the priority. Let the colored people determine on a policy to break this down, by concentrating our trade on one or two minor establishments in consideration of their representation in the force. It might require some inconvenience, some sacrifice on our part at first, but the moment this fact was established and the trade of the establishments in question was increasing, the former houses would gladly open their doors and make a place for us.

Suppose on the other hand we agreed to establish our own store and patronize it, that very moment the white storekeepers would open their doors to colored saleswomen, which is the very thing aimed after.

Let our churches and societies, then, wherever they have work to do, build up first their own men and women, recollecting that the building up of one is the elevation of the whole race.

NORFOLK LETTER.

MOST RESPECTFULLY TO "THOMAS."

NORFOLK, VA., Aug. 28, 1879.

Editor of Advocate:

The Norfolk letter, as published in the *Virginia Star* of August 23, over the signature of "Thomas," makes a statement against one who he says is a *noted character* and expelled from the church on charges of theft, and who gave the public a very badly composed printed circular under certain pretenses, and that the police had to, or did, rush into the church to quell the disturbance occasioned by its circulation by some of that "noted character's friends."

Every indication points to the conclusion that it was the party against whom the charges were raised who gave the untruthful information about the action in the church to "Thomas" (that the certain noted character was expelled on the charges of theft), when he, the informant, not only knew to the contrary, but knew, also, that he was deceiving "Thomas," at the same time knowingly and with an improper and reprehensible motive. I have no doubt now that he has the books in his possession, that he will try to make that false impression; but if he *dares*, let him try it on. "Thomas" is left to rely on this individual and his friends for all such information, for be it known that "Thomas" is an expelled member, and is considered among the disorderly ones of whom he writes—"if he does have so much respect for the pastor."

Now it is not true that a policeman entered the church during the disturbance that night; but it is true that forty-three members have signed the original circular, which can be had if disorderly "Thomas" continues to doubt it. They propose to offer, at the proper time, the proofs and printed proceedings of the Grand Lodge of Masons and the circulars of the Odd-Fellows, properly attested, as it was upon them alone the charges were based in the church. These charges have been from time to time made by Odd-Fellows and Masons, who were members of the same church, to the deacons; and these deacons have as often refused, on account of fear or special favor, to present them for action to their creating sovereign—the church; and yet these very deacons, with two exceptions, strenuously oppose their investigation; and I am sorry, too, to be forced to the conclusion—deduced from the acts of the pastor—that his influence is officially given to aid in the suppression of facts, as well as in keeping out of the church persons who they fear will oppose their schemes and expose their cliques. Truth impels me to this assertion; and I am prepared to meet the worst, from whatever quarter, in addition to the repeated insults of these "whited walls."

All the prosecutions and slander of the past (which time has partially exposed), drummed up and manufactured, are like chickens going to roost. Gentlemen, you ought not to complain, for if you had not fed the buzzard from your glass door, he would not come through your broken window. But I shall try to lead fairly with even my bittterest foes, and only ask to be let alone, and I shall only do what I consider necessary to defend myself from the lying imputations—I care not with whom they originate.

Personally, I hold malice against no living being; I freely forgive all, as I hope to be forgiven, and I challenge my opposers to meet me on this ground; but, at the same time, nothing will deter me from paying my *respects* to all who may find it necessary, in the erection of their moral edifice, to filch another's timber upon which to lay a foundation.

I have attacked no man's private character, nor do I intend to, only as I have indicated as above; then I shall "call on them often and very loud." A minister and his deacons are recognized in the New Testament scriptures, and therefore should be held in high veneration; but they are public men, and their public acts are liable to public criticism, not only by the church members, but the man of the world, the young, the old—in short, they should reflect the aims and objects of the Church of Christ to a gainsaying world and people, and on those eternal principles of Christianity they should look higher than to acts of duplicity, be above prejudice, and frown down talebearers.

If this be true, then to form a clique for the purpose of neutralizing, killing off and expelling members, and then turn a deaf ear NINE TIMES to one applicant for restoration, I say such a combination prostitutes these sacred offices and fails to recommend that religion that Professor Jones says is a PRINCIPLE.

In conclusion, I would say if anybody lives in a glass house don't throw a single stone. Perhaps your window may be cracked already; perhaps the wind may enter that crack and blow down some musty record wherein your name may occur either in letters of gold or in a less enviable style of character; perhaps some subject you least expect may awake out of its slumbers in the mighty cyclone of facts; perhaps the glass roof be torn off, and you, exposed to the gaze of your friends, when otherwise you would remember that—

"In speaking of a person's faults,
Pray don't forget your own;
Remember those with homes of glass
Should seleom throw a stone.

"If we have nothing else to do
Than talk of those who sin,
'Tis better we commence at home,
And from that *point* begin."

OLD SHOE.

PHILADELPHIA NOTES.

BY HOWARD.

Last week was a week long to be remembered with happy thoughts, the event being the visit of the Virginia Guards of Portsmouth, Va. Arrangements were made by a committee of 75 citizens of which Levi Cromwell was chairman. On *Wednesday* morning the *Guards* were met at the boat by the *Grey Invincibles* and a few citizens, and were escorted to the armory where a lunch was prepared after which they were taken in charge by friends and shown the city. At 4 p. m. they repaired to Locust above 6th street when a procession was formed in the following order: Committee of Citizens, Independent Drum Corps, members of Post 27th and 80th G. A. R., Keystone Band, Grey Invincibles, visiting band, Virginia Guards and committee of citizens. After a short parade the soldiers returned to the armory at 7 p. m. a grand banquet was furnished by the citizens. Mr. Cromwell called the banquet to order and introduced J. F. Needham who in a short address welcomed the Guards, and the Captain replied by introducing Rev. Elias J. H. Bolden, who replied in an eloquent manner. After a sumptuous repast speeches were made by Gen. Wagner, W. P. Bowman, Messrs. Higbate, Scott, Williams, and others.

On Thursday the Greys gave an excursion to Cape May which was well attended. The Mayor of Cape May welcomed the visitors. On Friday the day was spent in sight seeing, and in the evening a reception was given to the Guards by Mr. and Mrs. Washington and some of the *elite* of our city. On Saturday the guards returned home well pleased with their visit.

It is not often we have a chance of enjoying ourselves in a moon-light boat ride, but on the 28th ult. all feeling so disposed, had the chance of a moon-light excursion, going as far down the Delaware as Chester and return. The boat, Edwin Forrest was engaged by Dr. Tanner and others. Taken all together it was one of those rare chances, one gets in a year.

HILLSDALE.

Pioneer Sunday School.

The Pioneer Sabbath School of Hillsdale, under the superintendence of Sol. G. Brown, Esq, was an occasion of much interest Sunday afternoon. The speeches made by Messrs W. C. Costin, Beckett, Mason, Geo. Mosby, and the singing by the school, with Mrs. Katie Brown as organist, were very interesting and beneficial. Mr. Castin infused into his address his usual vigor of oratoritance display, as did Mr. Beckett. At 5 o'clock the exercises concluded, at which time the visitors repaired to the beautiful and secluded residence of Mr. Brown, where they partook freely of his varied kinds of fruits. The table was bountifully filled with choice fruits raised in the garden of Mr. Brown. The guests did not fail to replenish their handkerchiefs. Among those present were Miss H. Bertie Brown, Mrs. Jackson, Mr. and Mrs. Grant, Mr. W. C. Chase, Mr. R. Lawes, and many others.

IN MEMORIAL.

WHEREAS, It has pleased Almighty God to remove from our midst our brother and associate Christian worker, Robert E. Taliaferro, just as he was most active and useful in the church and in our society; therefore be it

Resolved, That this society of Christian workers, connected with the Fifteenth Street Presbyterian Church, deeply deplore the early demise of our brother, and extend to his afflicted parents and relatives our fullest sympathy in their affliction.

Resolved, That this resolution be entered upon the record of the society, and published in the ADVOCATE.

The committee appointed four speakers to comment upon our deceased brother—Messrs. Grinke, Matthews, Crusor and Archer. Others were invited to make some few remarks.

B. D. FLEET,
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—The unprecedented success of Mr. William Hahn, the shoe dealer, proves that the public appreciates his untiring efforts to furnish good boots and shoes at low prices. We advise our readers to look over his advertisement, in another column, and thus convince themselves, as he means what he says.

—A grand evening gathering took place at Brown's Park on Monday afternoon. A treat was given to the pupils of Pioneer Sunday School by the citizens of Hillsdate, who contributed fruits from their gardens for that purpose; and a grand display was exhibited; which was greatly enjoyed by three hundred children. The grapes, peaches and pears were very fine, indeed; and we were glad to see such a fine display of fruits grown by the people of Hillsdale.

—Howard L. Smith, Esq., formerly of this city, but now managing editor of the *Boston Co-operator*, will be in this city in December, and it is authoritively stated that he will marry Miss Laura G. Fields early in the spring.

—Miss Belle Lucas, corner of Eighth street and Market Space, is the agent for Mme. Demorest's reliable patterns. She also does plaiting, Parisian mode, at her old stand, 902 Ninth street, n. w. Her advertisement appears in another column.

OUR SCHOOLS.

HOW THEY REDUCE THE COURSE OF STUDY.

The course of study, as revised and curtailed by the trustees, has been presented to the public. If revision and curtailing mean changing the position of words, or substituting equivalent expressions, I then acknowledge the truthfulness of the statement. But if any person who agrees with Worcester as to the definition and application of the two words compare the course of the previous year with the one just issued, he will find that either Worcester or the trustees are sadly at fault.

Our children will be crammed as usual, our teachers worn out as much as ever, and the dissatisfaction during and at the end of the year will be as great as ever.

I noticed in some of the grades that a few pages had been stricken out of one or two studies, and an equal or greater number added to one or two others, in order that the grade might be shortened (?).

Now, I think the superintendents and trustees *ought* to *know* that they have not lessened this work one whit; on the contrary, in some instances, it has been made greater; and surely they do not think that because they *say* the work is *less*, and publish a schedule of studies substantially the same as the one of last year, the teachers and parents are duped into believing what they say is true!

Attention should certainly be given to this by the persons who are, or who should be most interested, viz.: the parents of the pupils.

Let the parents meet and, if possible, propose a course of study. Let it be looked over carefully and pondered over thoughtfully. If, after digesting the wonderful document, they are able to reach their respective residences without assistance, I shall say our parents are wonderfully unimpressible.

I believe in advancing in studies as rapidly as possible; that is, as rapidly as possible for the child to do so. Then children and teachers will profit thereby.

Any one charitably disposed will point out to me the sense of making a child memorize eight pages of matter imperfectly, when he can do to master only three or four, I will be much obliged.

I consider it not only a senseless proceeding, but positively inhuman. If it were not that the course prescribed has the effect of making the pupil torpid; of making him supremely indifferent to all the things of this life; of rendering his memory to the knowledge of his name, his mother's name, the trustees and the wonderful course of study, and his reason to nothing, I should not be surprised if we had numbers of cases of brain fever. But by the time they have completed the studies of the curriculum, they have not brain enough to be affected by the fever.

Let this be looked into by the proper persons; and let us, with one voice, cry the barbarous cruelty down; for remember *vox populi, vox Dei.*

THE CHILDREN'S FRIEND.

RAMBLES AROUND TOWN.

BY ROX.

—Surely there are not many "Children's friends" in our school-board.

—Miss Carrie E. Lewis will oblige us by sending her city address.

—Dont forget your last chance to visit Charlestown or Harper's Ferry on the Grand Union Excursion given Monday 15th inst. by the several lodges of the G. U. O. of O. F. of Georgetown D. C. Round Trip tickets $1.75.

Mrs. Catherine Butler one of the oldest residents of Washington, died Wednesday September 3rd 3.15 p. m. She was the mother of Mrs. Cecelia Cain and grandmother of Miss Mattie Lawrence, and Mrs. Ida Moore. The funeral took place at 2 o'clock from Union Bethel A. M. E. Church. She was 77 years old and after a sickness of some months died in full faith. There was a large attendance of friends and a more solemn funeral never took place from the Union Bethel A. M. E. Church.

—A memorial meeting was held at the 15th Presbyterian Church on Sunday eve, August 31st p. m. under the auspices of the Christian Workers, the meeting was very largely attended and several speeches were make on the life and character of Robert E. Taliaferro, by Messrs. Grimke, Matthews, Archer, Ed. Crusor, Henry Johnson, J. E. Jones, and others. Resolutions were adopted highly commemorative of his life and character. Mr. R. E. Taliaferro was one of the organizers of the organization, and since his connection therewith had been one of the most earnest and energetic of members.

—The Knights of St. Augustine No. 2, of Georgetown, gave a grand pic-nic at Van Ness Garden on Wednesday night. There was the largest crowd out that there was this season. The Knights being connected with the Catholic church, and every member of that denominiation feeling that it was their bounden duty to attend were there. Every thing went off quietly, and all hands went home feeling good.

Mr. J. R. Wilson, the athlete of the West End, inflated with his late victories, now says, he "can throw any man in Washington, and may be addressed at 17th and E Streets., n.w.

Mount Zion Sabbath School of Georgetown, D. C., gave a grand excursion to Irving Park, Wednesday, the 3d. There were about four hundred excursionists and each and every one came home well pleased with their trip, determining never to forsake the "Old Mount Zion."

Mr. John F. Butler, of Georgetown, who was shot last Sunday, by William Pope, son of Trustee Pope, died on Thursday afternoon from the effect of the wound. Pope has fled the city.

The United Aid Association held their regular monthly meeting on last Thursday night and installed officers for the ensuing year. Mr. Aaron Russell is president and Richard Gillem, secretary.

The Bereans held a fruit Festival during Wednesday, Thursday and Friday evenings of this week at their new church. It was well patronized and was much enjoyed by those who attended.

There was a very interesting game of Base Ball played between the Nation and Worcester clubs on Thursday, and resulted in a victory for the Nations by a score of 4 to 3.

There were seven colored men stricken of from the roll employes on the Senate-side of the Capitol on Monday by Sergeant-At-Arms Bright. No cause was assigned but to make room for political appointments.

The Barbers' Union Relief Association will give their Second Annual Pic-nic at Gale's Schentzen Park on Monday, September 15th.

—The Peter Ogden Lodge of G. U. O. of O. F., gave a pic-nic at the Van-Ness Garden on Monday night. It was the pic-nic of the season at that garden as might have been expected when the name of Mr. Samuel Wills was at the head of the committee of arrangements.

By special request, Mr. W. C. Chase has been invited to address the Pioneer Sabbath school, (Hillsdale,) Mr. Solomon G. Brown, superintendent, Sunday, September 21st, on on "What the Bible teaches, Moses' Theoretical Development, Observation of the Divine Law of God, Theoretically Conceived and Practiced by the Advocates of Equity, Equality and Freedom.

The exercises at the Zion Wesley Sabbath school, (South Washington,) Sunday afternoon were largely attended. The several visiting schools, Ebenezer and Shiloh made the occasion quite interesting.

The Pioneer Fruit Gathering on Monday evening, at Hilldale, under the auspices of Mr. Solomon G. Brown, was one of the grandest affairs ever given in Hillsdale. There were about three hundred children present, and this being fruit season there was the finest collection of fruit demolished there that has been eaten in many a day.

How to get well.

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No. 178. SYNCOPATIONS.

Syncopate a weight and leave a body of water.

Syncopate a coin and leave a measure.

Syncopate to varieagatje and leave ammunition.

East Dedham, Mass., EAGLE EYE.

No. 179. DOUBLE HALF SQUARE.

Across—naked; a species of willow; to cast off; a number; an article; a letter.

Champlain, N. Y. IRONSIDES.

No. 180. HOUR-GLASS.

Right; a fruit; immerge; a letter; to flee; to sing; loose; jollity; centrals; centrals; omission.

Washington, D. C. BODKIN.

No. 181. NUMERICAL.

My 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, is a form of writing.
My 6, 7, 8, 9, is sharp.
My whole of 9 letters is to pursue.

Savannah, Ga. LAUGHING JACK.

No. 182. STAR.

Central in Graham.
Up—a city in Holland.
Right diagonal up—a mystical monster.
Right—a Chinese river.
Down—a quadruped.
Left diagonal down—a joint.
Left—an evergreen.
Left diagonal up—a tribe.
Outside letter—a prominent poser.

Phila., Pa., NAMRON.

No. 183. DIAMOND.

A letter; a conveyance; a league; a genius of plants; founded; a cover; a letter.

Boston, Mass., E. X. POSER.

No. 184. NUMERICAL.

My whole of 8 letters is a plant.
My 12, 3, 4, is a plant.
My 5, 6, 7, 8, is a plant.

Phila., Pa. ELLIE J. BELL.

No. 185. SQUARE.

To make fond; a useful article highly valued by ladies; a narrow way; superintended the publication of a paper; to charge; arundineous.

Baltimore, Md., RANDOLPH.

MUSINGS.

Titus Marx, your batch came to hand. Our thanks. They are good.

Flora Nightingale, will you favor us with a batch. Yours are all out.

We hope our friends will circulate the request given last week. By so doing, they will do us a favor.

How to get sick.

Expose yourself day and night, eat too much without exercise; work too hard without rest; doctor all the time; take all the vile nostrums advertised; and the you will want to know

The Work of an Evangelist.

J. Whiteford, a lay Evangelist, has, since February 23, been in our city, doing such Christian work as visiting the prisons, station-houses and police-court cells, where, unfortunately, there is an undue proportion of colored people, and urging the inmates thereof to a better life. In this work he has been quite successful, having been the means of obtaining domestic employment for some, and of sending others to their homes in the country. Such a work is deserving of all possible support, both moral and material. As Mr. Whiteford receives no salary for this work—being in the employ of no sectarian organization; and as he bears letters testifying to his services from such gentlemen as Major Morgan, Special Agent Harrisen, Chaplain Gonzales, we trust that those who believe in the necessity for and the good influence of such work, will assist him in the manner indicated.

PERSONAL.

Referring to Mr. D. P. Allen, a colored gentleman of North Carolina who made a favorable impression as the author of a paper in an educational association recently held in New Hampshire, a correspondent of the *Springfield Republican* has the following:

Mr. Allen, after graduating at the normal school in Westfield, came to North Carolina in 1871. He went to Lumberton, where there had been almost no schools for colored children, and he has labored there seven years. In 1879, 2,900 children have been taught in the public schools for colored children in that county, and every teacher, except one, has been taught by Mr. Allen. Mr. Allen has done *his work thus far with no help from northern societies*, and I know of no other work in the South in which so much seems to have been done at so little cost.

Church Directory.

M. E.

Asbury, southwest corner of 11th and K sts., n. w., Rev. E. W. S. Peck, pastor. Preaching. 11 a. m., and 8 p. m.; Sunday school, 9 a. m., and 3 p. m.

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C. M. E.

Israel, northwest corner 1st and B streets, n. w., Rev. C. W. Fitzhugh, A. M., pastor. Preaching, 11 a. m., and 7½ p. m.; Sunday school at 9 a. m.

A. M. E.

Union Bethel, M between 15th and 16th streets, n w, Rev G W Brodie, pastor Preaching at 11 a. m., and 8 p. m.; Sunday school at 9 a. m. and 3 p. m.

Mt. Pisgah, R treet near 10th, n. w. Rev. Joseph Nicholls, pastor. Service, 11 a. m., and 8 p. m.; Sunday school 9 a. m.

St. Paul, 8th between D and E streets, s. w. Rev. D. Draper, pastor. Preaching, 11 a. m., and 8 p. m.; Sunday school 9 a. m.

Metropolitan, C street, s. e. Rev. R. H. Cain, pastor. Preaching, 11 a. m., and 8 p. m.; Sunday school, 9 a. m.

Ebenezer, (Georgetown), Beall street. Rev. J. P. Shreeve, pastor. Preaching, 11 a. m., and 7 p. m.; Sunday school, a. m.

BAPTIST.

First Baptist, 19th and I streets, n. w. Rev. J. Bolden, pastor. Preaching, 11 a. m., and 8 p. m.; Sunday school, 9 a. m. Choral service, 3 p. m.

Second Baptist, 3rd near I street, n. w. Rev. Madison Gaskins, pastor. Preaching, 11 a. m., and 8 p. m.; Sunday school, 9 a. m., and 3 p. m.

Third Baptist, Franklin between 3rd and 4th. Rev. William B. Jefferson, _____. Preaching, 11 a. m., and 7½ p. m.; Sunday school, 9 a. m.

Fourth Baptist, R between 12th and 13th streets, n. w. Rev. Robert Johnson, pastor. Preaching, 11 a. m., and 7½ p. m.; Sunday school, 9 a. m.

Fifth Baptist, Vermont avenue between Q and R streets, n. w. Rev. John H. Brooks, pastor. Preaching, 11 a. m., and 8 p. m. Sunday school, 9 a. m. Singing, 3 p. m.

Berean Baptist, 18th between L and M sts., n. w. Rev. William Waring, pastor. Preaching, 11 a. m. Praise meeting, 5 p. m.; Sunday school, 9 a. m.

Liberty Baptist, E between 17th and 18th streets, n. w. Rev. Edward Willis, pastor. Preaching, 11 a. m., and 7½ p. m.; Sunday school, 9 a. m.

Shiloh Baptist, L near 17th street, n. w. Rev. William J. Walker, pastor. Preaching, 11 a. m., and 7½ p. m.; Sunday school, 9 a. m.

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John Wesley, Conn., ave., between L and M streets, n. w. Rev. J. H. Anderson, pastor. Preaching, 11 a. m., and 7½ p. m.; Sunday school, 9 a. m.

Union Wesley, 23rd and L streets, n. w. Ree. R. J. Daniel, pastor. Preaching, 11 a. m., and 7½ p. m.; Sunday school, 9 a. m.

Galbraith Chapel, L between 4th and 5th streets, n. w. Rev. A. Day, pastor. Preaching, 11 a. m., and 7½ p. m.; Sunday school, 9 a. m.

Zion Wesley, D between 2nd and 3rd streets, n. w. Rev. S. S. Wales, pastor. Preaching. 11 a. m., and 7½ p. m.; Sunday school, 9 a. m.

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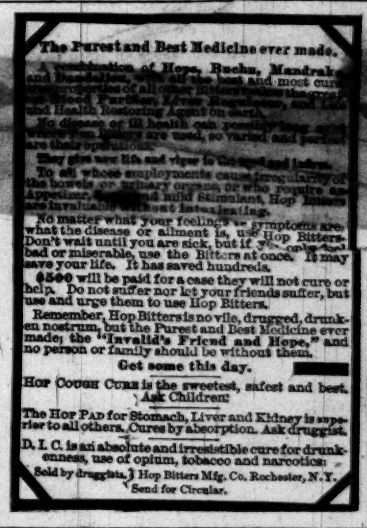

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